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CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to reduce/cancel present subsidies being provided to the Public Distribution System; and

(b) if so, present status of the proposal ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) & (b): There is no proposal before the Government to reduce the coverage of households under the TPDS, at present. However, measures to improve the operational efficiency of the FCI to contain the food subsidy are at various stages of implementation.